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News

ASME Approves Subgroup on International Material Specifications

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) International now accepts requests for the use of materials manufactured to your national or regional material specifications for ASME Boiler And Pressure Vessel Code construction applications.

The ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Main Committee recently approved the establishment of the Subgroup on International Material Specifications, as a part of Subcommittee II, Materials. The function of the subgroup is to review material specifications other than ASTM, including non-U.S. specifications, for suitability in ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code construction.

Manufacturers and end users of boilers or pressure vessels are encouraged to submit applications for international material specifications from recognized national or international organizations where there is a reasonable expectation of use in these applications when constructed to the rules of one of the Sections of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, using the following procedures.

Requests for approval of any material specification for use in Code construction must be made to ASME's Subcommittee II, Materials. The Committee will consider only requests for specifications in the English language and in U.S. or SI/metric units. The Committee will consider accepting specifications developed by recognized national or international standards organizations, such as, but not limited to, Canadian Standards Association (CSA), European Committee for Standardization (CEN), and Japanese Standards Association (JIS).

Minimum requirements that must be contained in a material specification for which acceptance is being requested include such items as the name of the national or international standards organization, scope, reference documents, process, manufacture, conditions for delivery, heat treatment, chemical and tensile requirements, forming properties, testing specifications and requirements, workmanship, finish, marking, inspection, and rejection. More information on the acceptance of material specifications can be found in the guidelines set forth in the "Guideline on the Approval of New Materials Under The ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code", included in Section II, Part D, Appendix 5.

To date, a Canadian Standards Association structural steel specification (CSA G40.21) and a European Community pressure vessel steel specification (EN 10028-2) have been adopted by the ASME. The material specifications are included in ASME Section II, Part A, 1997 Addenda, as SA/CSA-G40.21 and SA/EN 10028-2, respectively.

Towing Safety Advisory Committee Vacancies

The Coast Guard is seeking applications for appointment to membership on the Towing Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC). TSAC provides advice and makes recommendations to the Department of Transportation on matters relating to shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety:

Application must reach the Coast Guard on or before July 6, 1999.

You may request an application form by writing to Commandant (G-MSO-1), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, DC 20593-0001; by calling (202) 267-0229; or by faxing (202) 267-4570. Submit application forms to the same address. This notice and the application form are available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

For further information contact: Mr. Gerald Miente, Assistant Executive Director, Tel.: (202) 267-0229, Fax: (202) 267-4570.

News (cont'd)

Subcommittee for the Prevention of Marine Pollution Meeting Announcement

The Subcommittee for the Prevention of Marine Pollution (SPMP), a subcommittee of the Shipping Coordinating Committee, will conduct an open meeting on Tuesday, June 22, 1999, at 9:30 AM in Room 2415, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, DC.

The purpose of this meeting will be to review the agenda items to be considered at the forty third session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 43) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO). MEPC 43 will be held from June 28 - July 2, 1999. Proposed U.S. positions on the agenda items for MEPC 43 will be discussed.

The major items for discussion at this meeting are:

- a) Implementation of the OPRC Convention and the OPRC Conference resolutions
- b) Harmful effects of the use of antifouling paints for ships
- c) Harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water
- d) Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments
- e) Identification and protection of Special Areas and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas
- f) Inadequacy of reception facilities
- g) Reports of subcommittees
- h) Work of other bodies
- i) Prevention of air pollution from ships
- j) Interpretation and amendments of MARPOL 73/78 and related Codes
- k) Promotion of implementation and enforcement of MARPOL 73/78 and related Codes
- l) INF Code related matters
- m) Role of the human element with regard to pollution prevention
- n) Matters related to the 1973 Intervention Protocol

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. For further information or documentation pertaining to the SPMP meeting, contact Lieutenant Commander John Meehan, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters (G-MSO-4), 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, DC 20593-0001; Tel.: (202) 267-2714.

Response Plans for Handling Non-Petroleum Oils

The Coast Guard proposes to amend its regulations requiring response plans for marine transportation-related facilities that handle, store, or transport animal fats or vegetable oils. Specifically, the proposal downgrades the initial classification of affected facilities, clarifies planning and equipment requirements, and further harmonizes our regulations with the Environmental Protection Agency's response planning regulations. This proposal addresses a statutory mandate and an industry petition.

Comments must reach the Docket Management Facility on or before July 7, 1999.

You may mail or deliver your comments to the Docket Management Facility, (USCG-1999-5149), U.S. Department of Transportation, room PL - 401, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20590-0001. The telephone number is (202) 366-9329. The Docket Management Facility maintains the public docket for this rulemaking. You may also access this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

For questions on this proposed rule, contact Mr. Mark Meza, Project Manager, Office of Response (G-MOR) Coast Guard, Tel.: (202) 267-0304, E-mail: mmeza@comdt.uscg.mil.

For questions on viewing, or submitting material to, the docket, contact Dorothy Walker, Chief, Dockets, Department of Transportation, Tel.: (202) 366-9329.

What's New on the World Wide Web

New Lifesaving Regulations Available On The Coast Guard's World Wide Web Site

On October 1, 1998, the Coast Guard published its final rule on lifesaving systems for large inspected vessels, including passenger vessels over 100 gross tons, cargo vessels, tank vessels, and others (46 CFR Subchapter W (Part 199)). The Final Rule, as published in the Federal Register, consisted only of those sections and paragraphs that were different from the Interim Rule published in 1996. Consequently, a complete rule was never published in the Federal Register. The October 1, 1998 compilation of the Code of Federal Regulations contains the complete version, but downloading it from the Government Printing Office Website can be difficult, and corrections published November 17, 1998 were not included. The Coast Guard's Lifesaving and Fire Safety Standards Division has now made several versions of Subchapter W available on the World Wide Web at the following location: <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/mse4/reg.htm>.

That location contains links to all of the lifesaving and fire safety regulations for all types of commercial vessels, including Subchapter W. The site contains links to **Subchapter W in Adobe Acrobat (PDF) format**, as well as the **November 17, 1998 correction notice**.

Unfortunately, the PDF version contains some editorial errors, and for legal reasons, all of the superseded sections from the earlier Interim Rule are included. This makes it difficult to use. We have prepared a clean version of **Subchapter W in Microsoft Word 97 format** that omits the superseded sections and includes all of the editorial corrections. This version of Subchapter W takes full advantage of one of the features of Word 97 – the ability to include Hyperlinks, just like a World Wide Web page. Each cross-reference in the document to another part of the document is a link. Click on it, and it takes you to the referenced section. Use the back arrow on Word 97's "Web" toolbar to go back to where you were. Don't have Word 97? See the box at the top of the page to download a free Word 97 viewer from Microsoft. We also have **Subchapter W in Word 6.0/95 format** available on the site, but the links in the document will not work, since Word 6.0/95 does not include that feature. This version should also be compatible with most **Word Perfect** releases.

The new regulations include all of the lifesaving requirements for numerous vessel types and services in one regulation. This reduces the volume of regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations, and it also helps keep regulations consistent between different vessel types and services. But, it also means that it can be hard to figure out exactly what regulations apply to a particular vessel. We encourage users to edit the regulation for their own use by deleting parts that don't apply to their vessel. This makes the regulation much easier to use. We have done that for two classes of **passenger vessels**, those in **River service**, and those in **Lakes, Bays and Sounds service**. Those edited versions are also available to download from the site.

<http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/gmhome.htm>

- The New STCW homepage – <http://www.uscg.mil/STCW/>
- NVIC 4-99 Special Training Requirements For Merchant Mariners Serving On Passenger Ships Other Than Roll-On/Roll-Off (RO-RO) Passenger Ships – http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/nvic/4_99/n4-99.pdf
- Controlling Aquatic Nuisance Species – <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/nmc/standards/f25ans.htm>
- The Report of the Fishing Vessel Casualty Task Force – <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/moa/docs/fishing.htm>
- The rescue efforts of the Coast Guard, during the October 1991 storm that devastated New England, are featured in the History Channel special "The Killer Storm" that made its world premiere on May 1, 1999 and will re-air again on September 17 at 9 p.m. ET – <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/killerstorm.pdf>
- Shipping Agent Guidelines April 5, 1999 U.S. Entry Prohibition for the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia – <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/yugoslavia.pdf>

IMO Corner



Welcome to the International Maritime Organization Corner

The "IMO Corner" better informs the Maritime Community about the vital work conducted through this international organization.

The Corner will present highlights of recently completed meetings, a calendar of IMO meetings, as well as a listing of supporting U.S. SOLAS Working Group meetings.

Ship Design and Equipment Subcommittee's 42nd Session

The Ship Design and Equipment (DE) subcommittee held its 42nd session at IMO Headquarters from March 8-12, 1999 under the chairmanship of Mr. I. M. Williams (Australia). Among those participating were 41 member states, one associate member, three observers from inter-government organizations, and 23 observers from non-government organizations. Three working groups (revision of the High Speed Craft Code, development of requirements for Wing-In-Ground Craft, and matters related to Life-Saving Appliances (LSA)) and one drafting group were established. Two correspondence groups were also established addressing guidelines for Wing-In-Ground Craft and LSA evaluation and test report forms. A correspondence group on development of a Code On Polar Navigation was established at DE 41 with a completion deadline of DE 43. All U.S. objectives were achieved. Highlights of the session include approval of proposed changes to the Ballast Water Management Code, proposed amendments to SOLAS Regulation II-1/3-4 regarding Emergency Towing Arrangements, proposed amendments to SOLAS Regulation II-1, Part A-1/3-5 regarding the prohibition of new installations of materials containing asbestos in all ships; MSC Circular on Recommendations on Performance Standards and Tests for Thermal Protective Lifejackets. Mr. A Chrysostomou (Cyprus) and Captain J.E.C. Rocha (Brazil) were elected as Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively, of the subcommittee for 2000.

Flag State Implementation Subcommittee 7th Session

The 7th session of the Flag State Implementation Subcommittee (FSI) of IMO convened March 22 through March 26 1999 under the chairmanship of Mr. J. Vonau (Poland). The meeting was attended by 65 members, 1 associate member, 3 inter-government organizations, and 13 non-government organizations. All U.S. objectives were achieved. Items of particular interest were:

- A. Completion of a Draft Assembly Resolution on the Self-Assessment of Flag State Performance to be forwarded to MSC 71 and MEPC 43 for approval with a view to its adoption at the 21st assembly;
 - B. Establishment of a new intersessional correspondence group to continue development of clear criteria by which the performance of a Flag State can be assessed;
 - C. Completion of a draft assembly resolution containing guidelines on Investigation of Human Factors In Marine Casualties And Incidents to be forwarded to MSC 71 and MEPC 43 for approval with a view to its adoption at the 21st Assembly;
 - D. Completion of a draft assembly resolution containing amendments to Resolution A.787(19), Procedures for Port State Control, to be forwarded to MSC 71 and MEPC 43 for approval with a view to its adoption at the 21st Assembly.
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IMO Corner (cont'd)

Program of IMO Meetings for 1999

May 19-28	Maritime Safety Committee – 71st session
June 14-18	Council – 82nd session
June 17	Technical Cooperation Committee – 47th session
June 28 - July 2	Marine Environment Protection Committee - 43rd session
July 12-16	Subcommittee on Radiocommunications and Search and Rescue (COMSAR) – 4th session
September 6-10	Facilitation Committee – 27th session
September 20-24	Subcommittee on Safety of Navigation (NAV) – 45th session
October 11-15	Legal Committee – 80th session
October 18-22	IOPC Funds – 92 Fund Assembly, 71 Fund Assembly, 92 Fund Executive Committee, 71 Fund Executive Committee
November 12*	Council – 20th extraordinary session
November 15-26*	Assembly – 21st session
November 26*	Council – 83rd session
December 6-10*	21st Consultative Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Convention 1972

Intersessional Meeting Convened Within the Framework of the London Convention 1972**

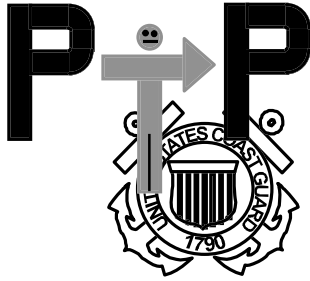
May 10-14	London Convention 1972 Scientific Group
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* Tentative

** Meetings held without interpretation and with documentation in original language only

Prevention Through People

Maritime Operations: The Human Element



VISION

To achieve the world's safest, most environmentally sound and cost-effective marine operations, by emphasizing the role of people in preventing casualties and pollution.

PRINCIPLES

Honor the Mariner
Take a Quality Approach
Seek Non-Regulatory Solutions
Share Commitment
Manage Risk

GOALS

Know More
Train More
Do More
Offer More
Cooperate More

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This year's conference on "Maritime Operations: The Human Element," jointly sponsored by Marine Log and the U.S. Coast Guard was expanded in scope to include issues of manning, fatigue, high speed craft, and the new near miss reporting system (IMISS). ISM and STCW weren't neglected, though.

Following the Key note address by RADM Robert C. North, Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection, the conference kicked off with a most interesting lessons learned presentation on the ECSTASY fire. Captain David Wood, of Carnival cruise lines, credited a strong Safety Management System (an ISM requirement) and the structural fire barriers with enabling the crew to contain the fire primarily to the stern mooring deck. They were also able to prevent the spread of smoke and fire to the rest of the vessel.

ISM and STCW compliance issues were effectively dealt with by a panel comprised of representatives from the Coast Guard, a flag state, and the law firm of Dyer, Ellis, and Joseph. Together they presented statistics and trends showing detentions and vessel non-compliance, an explanation of Coast Guard policy concerning ISM enforcement, and very sound advice on what to do when your ship is detained including when it is detained due to misunderstood ISM or STCW documentation. Don Sheetz of Vanuatu Maritime services outlined a strong "human" approach to the administration of flag state responsibilities.

Manning Issues, which was the largest panel discussion of the conference, addressed a broad spectrum of topics. The shortage of officers, engineers and recruits and its incumbent impact upon the industry, was addressed from both the international and domestic viewpoint. Current and future licensing issues with particular regard to the STCW requirements sparked many questions about standards, expense, and the length of time required for qualifying and obtaining licenses. Each panel member presented these issues and subsequent actions and recommendations from his own unique viewpoint.

Fatigue issues were addressed by Coast Guard and union representatives presented the results from fatigue surveys that the International Transport Workers has conducted among its members, and offered ways that ship owners and seafarers can contend with fatigue on board ships.

High-Speed craft design, approval and operations were addressed by industry and Coast Guard representatives. Because of speeds far above what conventional vessels steam at, both speakers addressed the need for Human Element design and consideration to take place through all phases of design, standard approval and assessment of risk. Captain Clark of Hornblower Marine Services also outlined some of the issues that they have faced from not only the Coast Guard as the regulators, but the local government and citizens over the operation of high speed craft in their communities.

This year's conference, the fourth in a series of Human Element conferences, matched those earlier conferences for high profile, presentation, controversy, and new issues facing the maritime industry. Each panel consisted of industry and Coast Guard representatives. This allowed the presentations to take on a much broader spectrum of issues. Speakers and audience members were very direct in both their compliments and concerns of the various maritime safety issues addressed. You are encouraged to attend next year's conference.

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G-M Studies

The following is a list of G-M studies and reports under development, including their status and contact person. The Marine Safety Newsletter will update this listing as new information is received.

Small business interests needing assistance in understanding the information, may telephone the contacts identified for the study or report.

Research in Tanker Groundings

This non-mandated study is being conducted by the Coast Guard to study the structural behavior of tankers during groundings.

Status: Research is being conducted at MIT. The first phase of the study is complete, and the second phase is underway. Availability of the study report will be announced through the Marine Safety Newsletter.

Contact: Mr. Sirkar, Tel.: (202) 267-6925.

Port Access Routes Study; Strait of Juan de Fuca and Adjacent Waters

The Coast Guard is conducting a study of port-access routes to evaluate the continued applicability of and the need for modifications to current vessel routing measures in and around the Strait of Juan de Fuca and adjacent waters, including Admiralty Inlet, Rosario Strait, Haro Strait, Boundary Pass, and the Strait of Georgia. The goal of the study is to help reduce the risk of marine casualties and increase vessel traffic management efficiency in the study area. The recommendations of the study may lead to future rulemaking or appropriate international agreements.

Status: Notice; request for comments [USCG-1999-4974] published on January 20, 1999 (64 FR 3145). Notice of meeting; extension of comment period published on April 15, 1999 (64 FR 18651). Comment period extended until May 31, 1999. Public meeting will be held on May 12, 1999 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the auditorium of Building 9, NOAA Western Regional Center, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, Seattle, WA 98115.

Contact: John Mikesell, Tel.: (206) 220-7272 or Barbara Marx, Tel.: (202) 267-0574.

Port Access Routes Study for Approaches to Los Angeles and Long Beach

The Coast Guard is conducting a study of port-access routes for the approaches to Los Angeles and Long Beach. The study will evaluate potential effects of recent port improvement projects on navigational safety and vessel traffic management efficiency in the study area and may recommend changes to existing vessel routing measures. The recommendations of the study may lead to future rulemaking.

Status: Request for comments [USCG-1999-5198] published on March 11, 1999 (64 FR 12139). Submit comments on or before May 10, 1999.

Contact: Mike VanHouten, Tel.: (510) 437-2968.

G-M Regulatory Projects

The following is a list of select G-M regulatory projects including their status and point of contact information. For more information on these and other marine safety rulemaking projects, visit the G-M Regulations home page at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/regs/reghome.html>.

If you are a small business interest needing assistance in understanding and complying with the regulatory requirements, please telephone the applicable contacts listed below. The Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman and ten Regional Fairness Boards were established to receive comments from small businesses about federal agency enforcement actions. The Ombudsman will annually evaluate the enforcement activities and rate each agency's responsiveness to small business. If you wish to comment on the enforcement actions of the Coast Guard, call (888) REG-FAIR [(888) 734-3247].

CGD 89-050 Vessel Identification System

This rulemaking establishes a Vessel Identification System (VIS) and will prescribe the manner and form for participating States to make information available for VIS; establish guidelines for State vessel titling systems; and establish procedures for certifying compliance with those guidelines. On April 19, 1999 (64 FR 19039), the Coast Guard published a notice delaying the effective date of subpart D until October 24, 1999.

Status: IFR published in April 25, 1995 (60 FR 20310). SNPRM being drafted.

Contact: ENS Brian Ly, Tel.: (202) 267-6989.

G-M Regulatory Projects (Cont'd)

CGD 94-048 Facility Response Plans: Hazardous Substance

This rulemaking would require owners or operators of onshore marine transportation-related facilities to submit a response plan for worst case discharges of hazardous substances.

Status: ANPRM published in 61 FR 20084. Comment period closed September 3, 1996. Proposed regulations are in clearance.

Contact: LT Michael Roldan, Tel.: (202) 267-0756, Fax: (202) 267-4547.

CGD 94-055 Licensing and Manning for Operators of Towing Vessels

This rulemaking would revise the requirements for licensing those individuals operating towing vessels. It would institute new licenses with levels of qualification and with enhanced training and operating experience. Further, it would require all towing vessels to be manned by officers holding licenses specifically authorizing such service. It is based on the investigation of a collision of a tug and barge with a railroad bridge, near Mobile, AL, in September 1993, which caused 47 deaths. The casualty prompted the Coast Guard's report, "Review of Marine Safety Issues Related to Uninspected Towing Vessels." Some of the recommendations contained in the review are incorporated into this rulemaking.

Status: NPRM published on June 19, 1996 (61 FR 31332). SNPRM was published on October 27, 1997 (61 FR 31332). Four public meetings were held in February 1998. The comment period closed February 24, 1998. Interim Rule being drafted.

Contact: LCDR Don Darcy, Tel.: (202) 267-0221.

USCG 1997-2799 User Fees for Licenses, Certificates of Registry, and Merchant Mariner Documents

This project would revise user fees for Coast Guard services relating to the issuance of merchant mariner licenses, certificates of registry, and merchant mariner documents. The proposed revisions are based on the most recent recalculation of program costs associated with mariner documentation services. This is the first proposed revision of these user fees since they were established in the final rule published on March 19, 1993 (59 FR 15228). That final rule became effective on April 19, 1993. The Coast Guard is also proposing to reformat the two CFR sections in which the fees are published from narrative text into a more user-friendly table.

Status: NPRM published on April 1, 1998 (63 FR 16024). The comment period closed September 28, 1998. Final rule in clearance.

Contact: CDR Mark McEwen, Tel.: (202) 267-1409.

USCG 1997-3198 Alternate Convention Tonnage

The Coast Guard is considering developing alternate tonnage thresholds for certain vessels based on the measurement system established under the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969. Existing tonnage thresholds in domestic laws and regulations are based on the U.S. regulatory measurement system. Establishing the international convention tonnage as an option for applying domestic regulations may result in the building of safer, more efficient vessels and may enable designers and operators of U.S. vessels to be more competitive in the international market. The Coast Guard asks for comments on related issues and questions.

Status: Notice, request for comments published on February 4, 1998 (63 FR 5767). Comment period closed October 15, 1998. Preparing proposed rule.

Contact: Mr. Peter Eareckson, Tel.: (202) 366-6502.

G-M Regulatory Projects (Cont'd)

USCG 1998-3423 Implementation of the National Invasive Species Act of 1996 (NISA)

This project would revise regulations to comply with the National Invasive Species Act of 1996 (NISA). The Coast Guard has proposed both regulations and voluntary guidelines to control the invasion of aquatic nuisance species (ANS). This rulemaking would amend existing regulations for the Great Lakes ecosystem, establish voluntary ballast water exchange guidelines for all other waters of the United States, and establish mandatory reporting and sampling procedures for nearly all vessels entering U.S. waters. Under this proposed rule, a self-policing program would be established where ballast water exchange is initially voluntary outside of the Great Lakes ecosystem. However, if the rate of compliance is found to be inadequate, or if vessel operators fail to submit mandatory ballast water reports to the U.S. Coast Guard, the voluntary guidelines will become mandatory and will carry civil and criminal penalties.

Status: NPRM published on April 10, 1998 (63 FR 17782). Correction Notice published June 16, 1998 (63 FR 32780). Comment period closed August 8, 1998. Interim Rule being drafted.

Contact: LT Pat McKeown, Tel.: (202) 267-0500.

USCG 1998-3786 Commercial Diving Operations

The Coast Guard requests comments on the type and scope of needed revisions to the commercial diving operations regulations. The regulations are over 20 years old and do not include current safety and technology standards and industry practices. At this early stage of the rulemaking process we need information on current safety practices, diving technology, and industry standards to help us identify the scope of any necessary regulatory revisions.

Status: ANPRM published on June 26, 1998 (63 FR 34840). Comment period closed on November 9, 1998.

Contact: LT Diane Kalina, Tel.: (202) 267-1181.

USCG 1998-3798 Numbering of Undocumented Barges

The Coast Guard seeks public comments on establishing a statutorily required numbering system for operating undocumented barges more than 100 gross tons. The numbering of these barges would increase owner accountability and deter their abandonment, making fewer barges available for disposal of oil and hazardous substances.

Status: ANPRM published on July 6, 1998 (63 FR 36384). Comment period closed on November 3, 1998.

Contact: Mr. Thomas Willis, Director, National Vessel Documentation Center, Tel.: (304) 271-2506.

USCG 1998-4302 Handling of Class 1 (Explosive) Mate- rial or Other Dan- gerous Cargoes within or Contigu- ous to Waterfront Facilities

This rulemaking will revise the regulations covering waterfront facilities handling dangerous cargoes. Current regulations would be updated to reflect improved safety procedures and modern transportation methods, such as the use of containers. This proposed rule would also update the requirements for the handling of these dangerous cargoes and incorporate industry standards.

Status: NPRM published on October 29, 1998 (63 FR 57964). Comment period closed March 1, 1999. Final Rule being drafted.

Contact: LCDR John Farthing, Tel.: (202) 267-0567

USCG-1998-4354 Tank Vessel Re- sponse Plans for Hazardous Sub- stances

The Coast Guard proposes regulations that would require response plans for certain tank vessels operating on the navigable waters of the United States that could reasonably be expected to cause substantial or significant and substantial harm to the environment by discharging a hazardous substance. These regulations are mandated by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA 90), which requires the President to issue regulations requiring the preparation of hazardous substance response plans. The primary purpose of requiring response plans is to minimize the impact of a discharge of hazardous substances into the navigable waters of the United States.

Status: NPRM published on March 22, 1999 (64 FR 13734). Submit comments on or before June 21, 1999.

Contact: LT Michael Roldan, Tel.: (202) 267-0756

G-M Regulatory Projects (cont'd)

USCG 1998-4399 Automatic Identification System Carriage Requirement; Vessel Traffic Service Lower Mississippi River

The Coast Guard held a public meeting in New Orleans to solicit comments on the establishment of a new Vessel Traffic Service (VTS) in the Lower Mississippi River area and a potential Automatic Identification System (AIS) carriage requirement for certain vessels operating in the new VTS area. We are currently reviewing public input to help develop a proposed rule.

Status: Public meeting held on October 28, 1998. NPRM being drafted.

Contact: Ms. Diane Schneider, Tel.: (202) 267-0352

USCG-1998-4443 Emergency Control Measures for Tank Barges

This interim rule implements measures for maintaining or regaining control of a tank barge that will reduce the likelihood of a tank barge's grounding and spilling its cargo. These measures are necessary because without them a tug that loses its tow lacks ready means for regaining control of it.

Status: Interim Rule (IR) with request for comment published on December 30, 1998 (63 FR 71754). The IR is effective March 30, 1999 except for 33 CFR 155.230(b)(1) and 46 CFR 32.15-15(e), which are effective on December 11, 2000. Notice of meeting; reopening of comment period published on April 15, 1999 (64 FR 18576). Comment period extended until June 10, 1999. The public meeting will be held in Washington, DC on May 12, 1999, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The meeting may close early if all business is finished. The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Transportation, room 10234, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington DC 20590-0001.

Contact: Mr. Robert Spears, Tel.: (202) 267-1099; or Mr. Allen Penn, Tel.: (202) 267-2997.

USCG-1998-4469 Management Information System (MIS) Requirements

The Coast Guard proposes to change the Management Information System (MIS) annual reporting requirements for chemical drug testing. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has requested that the Coast Guard reduce its collection of information effort. The proposed rule would exempt certain marine employers from submitting the annual MIS report and would eliminate the requirement for all marine employers to notify the Coast Guard when a consortium or other party submits the employer's annual report.

Status: Final Rule published on April 27, 1999 (64FR22555)

Contact: LT Jennifer Ledbetter, Tel.: (202) 267-0684

USCG-1998-4501 Improvements to Marine Safety in Puget Sound-Area Waters

The Coast Guard seeks public comment on potential rules that would improve marine safety in Puget Sound-area waters including Puget Sound, the Strait of Juan de Fuca, passages around and through the San Juan Islands, and the Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary. Based on a recent determination by the Secretary of Transportation regarding the status of marine safety in the Puget Sound-area, the Coast Guard has begun a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis to study the feasibility of implementing new safety measures, including extended tug escort requirements for certain vessels and a dedicated pre-positioned rescue vessel. Public input will help focus the cost-benefit analysis and help us develop any future proposed rules that may be necessary.

Status: ANPRM published November 24, 1998 (63 FR 64937). Submit comments before May 24, 1999.

Notice of the Secretary of Transportation's Determination and the Department's Next Steps on Marine Transportation Safety in Puget Sound-Area Waters published November 24, 1998 (63 FR 64983). Notice of meeting and availability of Statement of Work published on April 26, 1999 (64 FR 20236). At the meeting, the Coast Guard will describe the methodology for the cost-benefit analysis of potential regulations. The meeting is open to the public. It will be held on May 12, 1999, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Western Regional Center's auditorium in Building 9, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115. The meeting will be held in conjunction with a meeting regarding the Port Access Routes Study for the Strait of Juan de Fuca and Adjacent Waters.

Contact: CDR Close, Project Manager, Tel.: (202) 267-2997.

G-M Regulatory Projects (cont'd)

USCG 1998-4623 Limited Service Domestic Load Lines for River Barges on Lake Michigan

This rulemaking incorporates into 46 CFR part 45 the present load line exemption routes that have been announced in Federal Register notices for unmanned dry cargo barges carrying nonhazardous cargoes on river barges operating on Lake Michigan between Chicago, IL and Milwaukee, WI; and Chicago and Muskegon, MI. **Status:** The notices were published on September 21, 1992, (57 FR 43479), March 31, 1995 (60 FR 16693), September 28, 1995 (60 FR 50234), and August 26, 1996 (61 FR 43804). NPRM published on November 2, 1998 (63 FR 58679). Comment period extended on December 28, 1998 (63FR 71411). Comment period closed on March 4, 1999. Final rule being drafted.

Contact: Mr. Thomas Jordan, Project Manager, Tel.: (202) 267-0142.

USCG-1999-5040 Safety of Uninspected Passenger Vessels under the Passenger Vessel Safety Act of 1993

The Coast Guard will propose regulations that implement safety measures for uninspected passenger vessels under the Passenger Vessel Safety Act of 1993 (PVSA). These regulations will implement the new class of uninspected passenger vessel of at least 100 gross tons, address the confusion regarding bareboat charters, provide for the issuance of special permits to certain uninspected passenger vessels, and develop specific manning, structural fire protection, operating, and equipment requirements for a limited fleet of PVSA exempted vessels.

Status: ANPRM published on April 1, 1999 (64 FR 15709). Submit comments on or before June 30, 1999.

Contact: LT Keith B. Janssen, Tel.: (202) 267-1055.

Please Note:

- Due to a personnel transfer at Coast Guard Headquarters, our publication of the NFPA regulations will be suspended. Please check future issues as we will continue to provide these updated regulations as soon as a proper contact person is named.

Additional Notice:

- The staff of the Marine Safety Newsletter is happy to provide space for information concerning upcoming courses and training offerings. This service is of great assistance to our subscribers, and is apparently equally appreciated by those who post their courses in the Newsletter. Unfortunately the number of submissions has been overwhelming in the past months and the space used in this regard is crowding out space for seminars, symposia and public meetings. As a result, the number of course and training offerings posted will be limited to five. The Editor reserves the right to make decisions concerning inclusion based on relevance to the Newsletter's subscribers. Preference will be given to those submissions received before the 20th of the month preceding publication. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

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Calendar of Events

Please Note: Events without Date listed will no longer be published.

Courses are not Coast Guard approved unless otherwise stated.

***U.S. Coast Guard Approved Course**

GMDSS*

Sponsor: GSI Marine Training/International Maritime Consultants
Date: June 1-5; 1-10; 14-19; 14-28; 14-24; 28-July 2, 1999
Location: Houston, TX
Contact: GSI, Tel.: (281) 542-3000, Fax: (281) 542-6294, E-mail: training@gsimarine.com

FCC Elements 1&7

Sponsor: GSI Marine Training/International Maritime Consultants
Date/Location: June 1-5; 14-18, La Place; June 7-11; 21-25, 1999, Houston, TX
Contact: GSI, Tel.: (281) 542-3000, Fax: (281) 542-6294, E-mail: training@gsimarine.com

Electrical Workshop

Sponsor: American Boat and Yacht Council (ABYC)
Date: June 2, 1999
Location: Tampa, FL
Contact: ABYC, 3069 Solomons Island Rd., Edgewater, MD 21037; Tel.: (410) 956-1050; Fax: (410) 956-2737;
E-mail: bmichales@abycinc.org

Safety Equipment & Survival Procedures

Sponsor: NPFVOA Vessel Safety Program
Date: June 5; July 17; Aug. 14; Sept. 11; Oct. 9; Nov. 6; Dec. 4, 1999
Location: Fisherman's Terminal, Seattle, WA
Contact: Kasi VerBruggen Tel.: (206) 285-3383, Fax: (206) 286-9332, E-mail: npfvoa@halcyon.com,
Internet: www.halcyon.com/npfvoa

STCW Basic Safety Training*

Sponsor: Northeast Maritime Institute
Date: June 6-12; July 25-31; Aug. 22-28; Sept. 12-18; Oct. 24-30; Nov. 29-Dec. 4, 1999
Location: Northeast Maritime Institute, 66 Spring St., New Bedford, MA 02740
Contact: Tel.: (508) 992-4025, Fax: (508) 992-9184, E-mail: carpentr@northeastmaritime.com

OSHA Hazwoper - 1 Day

Sponsor: Center for Marine Environmental Protection and Safety
Date: June 7; July 12; Oct. 11; Nov. 8, 1999
Location: MMA Campus, 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Contact: Jane Joska, Tel.: (508) 830-5098, Fax: (508) 830-5018, E-mail: jjoska@mma.mass.edu

Medical Emergencies at Sea

Sponsor: NPFVOA Vessel Safety Program
Date: June 7; July 13; Aug. 10; Sept. 10; Oct. 5; Nov. 3; Dec. 8, 1999
Location: Fisherman's Terminal, Seattle, WA
Contact: Kasi VerBruggen Tel.: (206) 285-3383, Fax: (206) 286-9332, E-mail: npfvoa@halcyon.com,
Internet: www.halcyon.com/npfvoa

Hazardous Material Training (Transportation by Vessel)

Sponsor: National Cargo Bureau, Inc.
Date/Location: June 7-8, Honolulu, HI; June 15-16, Seattle, WA; June 15-16, San Francisco, CA;
June 17-18, New York, NY; June 22-23, Houston, TX
Contact: National Cargo Bureau, Inc., 30 Vesey St. New York, NY 10007-2914, Tel.: (212) 571-5000

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Dynamic Positioning System Simulator Course

Sponsor: Nautronix Technical Training Center
Date: June 7-10; 14-17, 1999
Location: 6633 Portwest Drive Suite 120, Houston, Texas 77024
Contact: Doug Olson or Juanita Morales, Tel: (713) 880-2866, Fax: (713) 880-2734

Bridge Resource Management*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 7-11; 14-18; 21-25; Aug. 2-6; 9-13; 16-20; 23-27, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

Medical First Aid*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 7-11; 14-18; Aug. 30-Sept. 3, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

STCW Basic Safety Training*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 7-11; 21-25; Aug. 9-13; 23-27, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

Tankship Dangerous Liquids

Sponsor: Training Resources, Ltd.
Date/Location: June 7-11; July 12-16, Aug. 2-6; Sept. 13-17; Oct. 4-8; Nov. 1-5; 29-Dec. 3; 6-10, San Diego, CA;
June 28-July 2; Aug. 23-27; Nov. 15-19, Long Beach, CA; July 26-30, Oct. 18-22; Anchorage, AK;
Sept. 27- Oct. 1, Portland, OR
Contact: Ray Addicott, Training Resources, Tel: (510) 704-8978, Fax: 510-704-8975

Radar Observer, Unlimited*

Sponsor: Northeast Maritime Institute
Date: June 7-11; July 5-9; Aug. 2-6; Sept. 6-10; Oct. 4-8; Nov. 1-5; Dec. 6-10, 1999
Location: Northeast Maritime Institute, 66 Spring St., New Bedford, MA 02740
Contact: Tel.: (508) 992-4025, Fax: (508) 992-9184, E-mail: carpentr@northeastmaritime.com

Tankerman PIC*

Sponsor: RTM Star Center
Date: June 7-11; July 12-16; Aug. 2-6; Sept. 13-17, 1999
Location: RTM Star Center, 2 W. Dixie Hwy., Dania, FL 33004
Contact: RTM Star Center, Tel.: (800) 445-4522, Fax: (954) 920-4268, Website: www.star-center.com

OSHA Hazwoper - 5 Days

Sponsor: Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Center for Marine Environmental Protection and Safety
Date: June 7-11; July 12-16; Oct. 11-15; Nov. 18-19, 1999
Location: MMA Campus, 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Contact: Jane Joska, Tel.: (508) 830-5098, Fax: (508) 830-5018, E-mail: jjoska@mma.mass.edu

Heavy Weather Avoidance Course*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 7-11; Aug. 2-6; Sept. 27-Oct. 1, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

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Radar Observer Renewal, Rivers, Inland, and Unlimited Original Courses*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 7-11; Aug. 9-13; 30-Sept. 3, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

Computer Operating Systems

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 7-11; Aug. 9-13; Sept. 13-17, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

Ohmsett Oil Spill Training: Including HAZWOPER Safety Training for Oil Spill Responders

Sponsor: Texas A&M University Corpus Christi National Spill Control School
Date: June 7-11, Sept. 13-17, 1999
Location: Ohmsett Facility, Navy Weapon Station Earle Waterfront, Rt. 36 Building R-24 Leonardo, NJ 07737
Contact: Texas A&M: Tel.: (512) 980-3333, Fax: (512) 980-3337, E-mail: nscs@tamucc.edu;
Ohmsett: Tel.: (732) 866-7183, Fax: (732) 866-71889, E-mail: ohmsettnj@monmouth.com

GMDSS Operator*

Sponsor: Progressive Training Solutions
Date: June 7-18; July 5-16; Aug. 9-20, 1999
Location: North Stonington, CT
Contact: William Parker, Tel.: (941) 637-8537, E-mail: wjparker@seatrains.com

Towing Vessel Safety Committee Seminar

Sponsor: U. S. Coast Guard and the Hampton Roads Maritime Association
Date: June 8, 1999
Location: Portsmouth, VA
Contact: LT Quintin Ellis, Tel.: (757) 441-3276

Fire Prevention and Control

Sponsor: NPFVOA Vessel Safety Program
Date: June 8; July 14; Aug. 11; Sept. 7; Oct. 6; Nov. 4; Dec. 7, 1999
Location: Fisherman's Terminal, Seattle, WA
Contact: Kasi VerBruggen Tel.: (206) 285-3383, Fax: (206) 286-9332, E-mail: npfvoa@halcyon.com,
Internet: www.halcyon.com/npfvoa

GMDSS*

Sponsor: Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Center for Maritime Training
Date: June 8-12; 14-18; 22-26; 28-July 2, 1999
Location: MMA Campus, 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Contact: George Gillis, Tel.: (508) 830-5097, Fax: (508) 830-5018, E-mail: ggillis@mma.mass.edu

Shiphhandling in Manned Models

Sponsor: Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Center for Maritime Training
Date: June 8-12; 20-24, 1999
Location: MMA Campus, 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Contact: George Gillis, Tel.: (508) 830-5097, Fax: (508) 830-5018, E-mail: ggillis@mma.mass.edu

Bridge Resource Management for Pilots II - 2 days

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies (MITAGS)
Date: June 9-10, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mike Wein, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: mwein@mitags.org

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Navigation: Collision Avoidance

Sponsor: NPFVOA Vessel Safety Program
Date: June 14; July 7; Aug. 9; Sept. 13; Oct. 13; Nov. 8; Dec. 3, 1999
Location: Fisherman's Terminal, Seattle, WA
Contact: Kasi VerBruggen Tel.: (206) 285-3383, Fax: (206) 286-9332, E-mail: npfvoa@halcyon.com, Internet: www.halcyon.com/npfvoa

Warship '99: Naval Submarines 6

Sponsor: The Royal Institute of Naval Architects (RINA) and the Institute of Marine Engineers
Date: June 14-16, 1999
Location: Cafe Royal, London W1, UK
Contact: Rina Ltd., 10 Upper Belgrave St., London, SW1X 8BQ, Tel.: +44 171 235 4622, Fax: +44 171 245 6959

19th Annual International Conference & Trade Show: Bulk Liquid Terminals & Aboveground Storage Tanks

Sponsor: Independent Liquid Terminals Association (ILTA)
Date: June 14-17, 1999
Location: Adam's Mark Hotel, 2900 Briarpark Dr., Houston, TX
Contact: ILTA, 1133 15th St. NW, Ste. 650, Washington, DC 20005, Tel.: (202) 659-2301, Fax: (202) 466-4166, Website: www.ilta.org, E-mail: aoc/ts@ilta.org

Basic Safety Training Program*

Sponsor: RTM Star Center
Date: June 14-17; July 12-15; Aug. 16-19; Sept. 20-23, 1999
Location: RTM Star Center, 2 W. Dixie Hwy., Dania, FL 33004
Contact: RTM Star Center, Tel.: (800) 445-4522, Fax: (954) 920-4268, Website: www.star-center.com

ARPA*

Sponsor: Pacific Northwest Radar School
Date: June 14-18; 28-July 2; 5-9, 1999
Location: Seattle, WA
Contact: Gregg Trunnell, Tel.: (206) 441-2880, Fax: (206) 441-2995, E-mail: pnwradar@mates.org

ARPA*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 14-18; 21-25; Aug. 16-20; Sept. 13-17; 20-24; Oct. 11-15, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

Train the Trainer Course

Sponsor: RTM Star Center
Date: June 14-18; July 5-9; Aug. 9-13; 23-27; Sept. 6-10, 1999
Location: RTM Star Center, 2 W. Dixie Hwy., Dania, FL 33004
Contact: RTM Star Center, Tel.: (800) 445-4522, Fax: (954) 920-4268, Website: www.star-center.com

Tankerman - Person in Charge - Dangerous Liquids*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 14-18; Aug. 2-6; Oct. 25-29, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

Basic and Advanced Firefighting*

Sponsor: Northeast Maritime Institute
Date: June 14-18; Aug. 9-13; Oct. 18-22; Dec. 13-17, 1999
Location: Northeast Maritime Institute, 66 Spring St., New Bedford, MA 02740
Contact: Tel.: (508) 992-4025, Fax: (508) 992-9184, E-mail: carpentr@northeastmaritime.com

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GMDSS*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 14-25; Aug. 2-13; 16-27; 30-Sept. 3, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

Shiphandling Simulator Course*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 14-25; Aug. 16-27, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

Able Seaman/Lifeboatman*

Sponsor: Northeast Maritime Institute
Date: June 14-July 2; Aug. 2-20; Sept. 20-Oct. 8; Nov. 1-19, 1999
Location: Northeast Maritime Institute, 66 Spring St., New Bedford, MA 02740
Contact: Tel.: (508) 992-4025, Fax: (508) 992-9184, E-mail: carpentr@northeastmaritime.com

Hazardous Material Training (Containerization)

Sponsor: National Cargo Bureau, Inc.
Date/Location: June 15, Charleston, SC; June 23, Seattle, WA
Contact: National Cargo Bureau, Inc., 30 Vesey St. New York, NY 10007-2914, Tel.: (212) 571-5000

24 Hour OSHA/RCRA Safety

Sponsor: Texas A&M University Corpus Christi National Spill Control School
Date: June 15-17; Sept. 21-23; Nov. 30-Dec. 2, 1999
Location: Texas A&M University Corpus Christi
Contact: Ms. Fran Trevino, Tel.: (512) 980-3333, Fax: (512) 980-3337, E-mail: nscs@tamucc.edu, Website: www.sci.tamucc.edu/nscs

ARPA*

Sponsor: Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Center for Maritime Training
Date: June 15-18; 27-30, 1999
Location: MMA Campus, 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Contact: George Gillis, Tel.: (508) 830-5097, Fax: (508) 830-5018, E-mail: ggillis@mma.mass.edu

Flashing Light

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 16, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

Tank Barge Fire Fighting

Sponsor: Two Rivers Marine Training & Consulting, Inc.
Date: June 17-18; 28-29, 1999
Location: Port Arthur, TX
Contact: Summer Posey, Tel: (409) 736-2993, Fax: (409) 736-1628, E-mail: trmtac@aol.com

Safe Transportation of Hazardous Materials (HM 126F/181)

Sponsor: IMS Environmental Services
Date: June 18, 1999
Location: IMS Environmental Services Training Center, Chesapeake, VA
Contact: Phil Biedenbender/Steve May, Tel.: (757) 436-3000, Fax: (757) 549-0990, E-mail: IMStrain@aol.com

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Tankerman – PIC (Barge) Dangerous Liquids Renewal

Sponsor: Two Rivers Marine Training & Consulting, Inc.
Date: June 19-20, 1999
Location: Port Arthur, TX
Contact: Summer Posey, Tel: (409) 736-2993, Fax: (409) 736-16278, E-mail: trmtac@aol.com

Tankerman Familiarization Dangerous Liquids*

Sponsor: Northeast Maritime Institute
Date: June 21-24; Oct. 25-28; Nov. 22-25, 1999
Location: Northeast Maritime Institute, 66 Spring St., New Bedford, MA 02740
Contact: Tel.: (508) 992-4025, Fax: (508) 992-9184, E-mail: carpentr@northeastmaritime.com

OSHA General Industry Train the Trainer

Sponsor: Environmental & Safety Services, Inc.
Date/Location: June 21-25, St. Louis, MO; July 19-23, St. Charles, LA; Aug. 23-27, Pittsburgh, PA;
Sept. 27- Oct. 1, Cincinnati, OH; Oct. 25-29, Atlanta, GA; Nov. 15-19, 1999, Houston, TX
Contact: Eric Gislason, P.O. Box 3394, Wilmington, NC 28406, Tel. (910) 763-6999, Fax: (910) 763-8709

ARPA & Radar Recertification*

Sponsor: RTM Star Center
Date: June 21-25; Aug. 2-6; Sept. 13-17; Oct. 4-8; Nov. 15-19, 1999
Location: RTM Star Center, 2 W. Dixie Hwy., Dania, FL 33004
Contact: RTM Star Center, Tel.: (800) 445-4522, Fax: (954) 920-4268, Website: www.star-center.com

Advanced Fire Fighting*

Sponsor: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies
Date: June 21-25; Aug. 23-27, 1999
Location: MITAGS Campus, Linthicum Heights, MD
Contact: Mary Matlock, Tel.: (410) 859-5700, Fax: (410) 859-5181, E-mail: admissions@mitags.org

OPA-90 Qualified Individual Training Program - 5 Days

Sponsor: Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Center for Marine Environmental Protection and Safety
Date: June 21-25; Sept. 20-24; Nov. 15-19, 1999
Location: MMA Campus, 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Contact: Jane Joska, Tel.: (508) 830-5098, Fax: (508) 830-5018, E-mail: jjoska@mma.mass.edu

Inland Oil Spill Response and Safety

Sponsor: Texas A&M University Corpus Christi National Spill Control School
Date: June 21-25; Oct. 18-22, 1999
Location: Texas A&M University Corpus Christi
Contact: Ms. Fran Trevino, Tel.: (512) 980-3333, Fax: (512) 980-3337, E-mail: nsccs@tamucc.edu,
Website: www.sci.tamucc.edu/nsccs

GMDSS*

Sponsor: Pacific Northwest Radar School
Date: June 21-July 2; 19-30, 1999
Location: Seattle, WA
Contact: Gregg Trunnell, Tel.: (206) 441-2880, Fax: (206) 441-2995, E-mail: pnwradar@mates.org

GMDSS*

Sponsor: Training Resources, Ltd. and Mercomms Unlimited
Date: June 21-July 2; 19-30; Aug. 16-27; Sept. 13-24; Oct. 18-29; Nov. 8-19; Dec. 6-17, 1999
Location: San Diego, CA
Contact: Ray Addicott, Training Resources, Tel: (510) 704-8978, Fax: (510) 704-8975

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Safe Cargo Handling

Sponsor: NPFVOA Vessel Safety Program
Date: June 22; July 20; Aug. 17; Sept. 21; Oct. 19; Nov. 16; Dec. 14, 1999
Location: Fisherman's Terminal, Seattle, WA
Contact: Kasi VerBruggen Tel.: (206) 285-3383, Fax: (206) 286-9332, E-mail: npfvoa@halcyon.com, Internet: www.halcyon.com/npfvoa

International Maritime Dangerous Goods Seminar

Sponsor: Vessel Operators Hazardous Materials Assoc. (VOHMA)
Date/Location: June 22-24, Chicago, IL; Oct. 12-14, 1999 Long Beach, CA
Contact: VOHMA, 1118 Bay Rd., Lake George, NY 12845, Tel.: (518) 761-0263, Fax: (518) 792-7781, E-mail: mail@vohma.com

Medical Training for Mariners-Advanced

Sponsor: RTM Star Center
Date: June 22-July 2; 20-30, 1999
Location: RTM Star Center, 2 W. Dixie Hwy., Dania, FL 33004
Contact: RTM Star Center, Tel.: (800) 445-4522, Fax: (954) 920-4268, Website: www.star-center.com

Hazwoper Refresher Course

Sponsor: ERST/O'Brien's
Date: June 23, 1999
Location: Houston, TX
Contact: Tel.: (800) 730-7611, Fax: (714) 577-2118

Trawl Deck Safety

Sponsor: NPFVOA Vessel Safety Program
Date: June 23; July 21; Aug. 18; Sept. 22; Oct. 20; Nov. 17; Dec. 15, 1999
Location: Fisherman's Terminal, Seattle, WA
Contact: Kasi VerBruggen Tel.: (206) 285-3383, Fax: (206) 286-9332, E-mail: npfvoa@halcyon.com, Internet: www.halcyon.com/npfvoa

Tankerman – PIC (Barge) Dangerous Liquids Original

Sponsor: Two Rivers Marine Training & Consulting, Inc.
Date: June 23-27, 1999
Location: Port Arthur, TX
Contact: Summer Posey, Tel: (409) 736-2993, Fax: (409) 736-1628, E-mail: trmtac@aol.com

Incident Command System (Basic)

Sponsor: ERST/O'Brien's
Date: June 24, 1999
Location: Houston, TX
Contact: Tel.: (800) 730-7611, Fax: (714) 577-2118

OPA-90 Qualified Individual Annual Refresher - 2 Days

Sponsor: Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Center for Marine Environmental Protection and Safety
Date: June 24-25; Sept. 23-24; Nov. 18-19, 1999
Location: MMA Campus, 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Contact: Jane Joska, Tel.: (508) 830-5098, Fax: (508) 830-5018, E-mail: jjoska@mma.mass.edu

Incident Command System (Advanced)

Sponsor: ERST/O'Brien's
Date: June 25, 1999
Location: Houston, TX
Contact: Tel.: (800) 730-7611, Fax: (714) 577-2118

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Shiphandling Combination Course

Sponsor: Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Center for Maritime Training
Date: June 26-30, 1999
Location: MMA Campus, 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Contact: George Gillis, Tel.: (508) 830-5097, Fax: (508) 830-5018, E-mail: ggillis@mma.mass.edu

Oil Spill Response - Control, Recovery & Management

Sponsor: IMS Environmental Services
Date: June 28-July 2, 1999
Location: IMS Environmental Services Training Center, Chesapeake, VA
Contact: Phil Biedenbender/Pete Brunk, Tel.: (757) 436-3000, Fax: (757) 549-0990, E-mail: IMStrain@aol.com

Fast Rescue Boat Proficiency Course *

Sponsor: RTM Star Center
Date: June 28-July 2; 26-30; Aug. 30-Sept. 3; 27-Oct. 1, 1999
Location: RTM Star Center, 2 W. Dixie Hwy., Dania, FL 33004
Contact: RTM Star Center, Tel.: (800) 445-4522, Fax: (954) 920-4268, Website: www.star-center.com

Global Maritime Distress & Safety System (GMDSS)*

Sponsor: RTM Star Center
Date: July 5-16; Aug. 30-Sept. 10; Nov. 1-12, 1999
Location: RTM Star Center, 2 W. Dixie Hwy., Dania, FL 33004
Contact: RTM Star Center, Tel.: (800) 445-4522, Fax: (954) 920-4268, Website: www.star-center.com

Incident Command System – Level 200 and Level 300 Training

Sponsor: IMS Environmental Services
Date: July 8-9, 1999
Location: IMS Environmental Services Training Center, Chesapeake, VA
Contact: Phil Biedenbender/Joe Couch, Tel.: (757) 436-3000, Fax: (757) 549-0990, E-mail: IMStrain@aol.com

Hazwoper

Sponsor: TOPS in Emergency Response, Inc.
Date: July 10-11 & 17-18; Aug. 20-24; Oct. 2-3 & 9-10; Nov. 1-5, 1999
Location: Rahway, NJ / Stanhope, NJ
Contact: Philip E. Solomon, Tel.: (732) 340-0044, Fax: (732) 388-1691, E-mail: response@compuserve.com

HAZWOPER Refresher

Sponsor: IMS Environmental Services
Date: July 12; 13; 14, 1999
Location: IMS Environmental Services Training Center, Chesapeake, VA
Contact: Phil Biedenbender/Steve May, Tel.: (757) 436-3000, Fax: (757) 549-0990, E-mail: IMStrain@aol.com

Fundamentals Diesel Engines*

Sponsor: USMMA Continuing Education
Date: July 12-16, 1999
Location: USMMA, Kings Point, NY
Contact: John Hanus/Meredith Hobbs, Tel.: (516) 773-5162, Fax: (516) 773-5353, E-mail: hobbsm@usmma.edu

HAZWOPER (e) - Hazardous Waste Site Cleanup

Sponsor: IMS Environmental Services
Date: July 12-16, 1999
Location: IMS Environmental Services Training Center, Chesapeake, VA
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Industrial Fire Brigade Leadership (Incident Command System)

Sponsor: Lamar University - The Center for Industrial Fire and Hazardous Materials Training
Date: July 12-16; 19-23; Sept. 13-17; Nov. 1-5; 15-19, 1999
Location: Beaumont, TX
Contact: Lamar University - Industrial Fire Training, P.O. Box 10008, Beaumont, TX 77701, Tel.: (409) 832-5881, Fax: (409) 838-7029, E-mail: hubacjc@lub002.lamar.edu

Bridge Resource Management*

Sponsor: Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Center for Maritime Training
Date: July 12-16; 22-27, 1999
Location: MMA Campus, 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532
Contact: George Gillis, Tel.: (508) 830-5097, Fax: (508) 830-5018, E-mail: ggillis@mma.mass.edu

STCW Safety Modules*

Sponsor: USMMA Continuing Education
Date: July 12-16; Sept. 13-17, 1999
Location: USMMA, Kings Point, NY
Contact: John Hanus/Meredith Hobbs, Tel.: (516) 773-5162, Fax: (516) 773-5353, E-mail: hobbsm@usmma.edu

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